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**SENATOR GREGG ANNOUNCES \$68,205 TO
NH DEPT. OF EDUCATION TO PROMOTE COMMUNITY SERVICE**

WASHINGTON -- U.S. Senator Judd Gregg (R-NH) today announced that the Corporation for National and Community Service has awarded a \$68,205 grant to the New Hampshire Department of Education to foster greater interest in community service among students of all ages across the State. The Department of Education will use the funding to award five \$10,000 grants to Granite State schools or school districts, focusing on programs encompassing diversity and that utilize resources from faith-based or private schools. The results of these local programs will not only increase community service within communities, but also allow the Department of Education to create and distribute an outline for the creation of service-based programs in other communities.

Senator Gregg stated, "The schools awarded grants by the Department of Education will do far more than provide a one-time service to individual communities. The students that learn the tremendous benefits of serving their community and their state will carry those lessons with them for the rest of their lives and share that willingness to help those less fortunate with others. The programs that they help build will impart the same knowledge on future classes. I am pleased to see the Department of Education receive these important funds in order to teach the importance of community service to tomorrow's leaders."

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